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## FUNDS OF CUBA ARE EXHAUSTED

### Government Unable To Find Means To Make Ends Meet

**Customs Receipts Fall Off—Much Speculation At Havana As To Whether The Government Will Be Able To Satisfy Claims Of The Sewering And Paving Contractors Due The End Of This Month—Republic Facing A Crisis**

Havana, Sept. 23.—It is felt generally here that Cuba is approaching a crisis in its history as a republic.

Two serious questions occupy the public mind: Can Cuba survive the present state of her finances? Can she hold an honest and orderly election for the presidency with a loyal submission of the defeated party to the will of the majority?

That the treasury is empty; that the last dollar of the \$16,500,000 Speyer loan has been spent, while the work of sewerage and paving Havana, the principal purpose for which the plan was authorized by the United States, is not only not half finished, but in danger of interruption, if not abandonment; that the government is at its wits' end to find money to meet its vast expenditures, while receipts from customs and the lottery have reached their lowest point—all this is asserted by the enemies of the government, and most of it frankly admitted by all. Everywhere it is asked, how long can this state of affairs continue?

Last month the government defaulted, for the first time, on the account due to the sewerage and paving contractors for work done in July, amounting to about \$420,000. The government declared that it found itself unable to meet the bill simply because it had no more money. The contractors appealed to the American legation and sufficient pressure was brought to bear to convince the government that payment was imperative. The following day the money was forthcoming.

There has been much speculation as to whether the government will be able to satisfy the claims of the contractors due towards the end of this month.

The present aspect of the political situation appears to justify reasonable expectations that General Mario Menocal can carry the election.

## SQUABBLE GOES UP

Columbus, O., Sept. 23.—With the filing today of entry of Judge Dillon's decision ordering Mayor Korb to reinstate Charles E. Carter in the office of chief of police, the squabble will be renewed in the circuit court.

**Accept Roosevelt's Resignation.**  
New York, Sept. 23.—The resignation of Colonel Roosevelt from the Republican club was accepted at a meeting of the executive committee of the club. A member of the club said that the resignation had been accepted without comment and that the usual phrase "with regret" had been omitted. The club has a membership of about 2,800.

**Aimed at Home Rule.**  
Belfast, Sept. 23.—The services in all the Protestant churches in Ulster were aimed especially against home rule. There were intercessional prayer for the preservation of Ulster from home rule. The preachers in their sermons made a feature of the covenant to be signed by Ulster men at the coming great meeting.

## EXCURSION TRAINS MEET EIGHT ARE KILLED

Paris, Sept. 23.—Eight persons were killed and 20 injured when one excursion train ran into another between Caen and Cabourg. The accident occurred on the local tracks.

**Two Dead in Collision.**  
Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 23.—Two people were killed and 20 injured, several fatally, when an excursion train at Miles, N. Y., on the Pittsburg, Shawmut & Northern railroad, collided head-on with a freight train. The misinterpretation of orders on the part of the engineer of the passenger train is supposed to have resulted in the wreck. The dead are W. A. Harris of Fillmore and Miss Grace Marsh of Portville, N. Y.

**Takes Life by Cutting Throat.**  
Marietta, O., Sept. 23.—Despondent on account of being afflicted with an incurable disease, Fred Aslet, 67, a well-known resident of this city, committed suicide here by cutting his throat.

## AN EDITOR IS SUED GOES TO THE PEN

Kenton, O., Sept. 23.—Fred York of Alger, an editor, brought suit for \$5,000 damages against Mayor Austin York alleging that he was falsely and maliciously imprisoned for two days. Several months ago the editor enforced the blue laws on Sundays in Alger and he was criticised by York. York was arrested on a minor charge and imprisoned.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 23.—Benson McIlrath, found guilty of defrauding Dr. H. R. Brownlee out of an automobile, was sentenced to serve two years in the penitentiary by Judge Neff in common pleas court. McIlrath and his former partners are said to have swindled many persons out of automobiles on alleged worthless land contracts.

## WHEN MONEY LAUNDRY WORK BECOMES GENERAL "FILTHY LUCRE" WILL ALL BE KEPT CLEAN, SANITARY AND CRISP



Washington, Sept. 23.—The success of the money washing machine here has been so great that preparations are being made to install similar machines in all the subtreasuries. Robert O. Bailey, assistant secretary of the treasury, in charge of currency affairs believes the day is not far distant when every big bank and department store will be equipped with a money washing machine with which to scrub up dingy greenbacks instead of turning them in for redemption. Two girls and a machinist succeeded in washing 25,000 notes a day on a big machine built by Burgess W. Smith, superintendent of the technical work of the bureau of engraving and printing. The notes are placed between two endless belts of porous cloth, carried through soapuds and water, rinsed, dried and turned out as good as new. Mr. Bailey and J. E. Ralph, director of the bureau of engraving and printing, estimate that with these machines installed at every subtreasury the government will save \$500,000 a year. The average life of a one dollar note is one year. It costs 1 cent to print.

## MILITIA TIGHTENS LINES; CONFERENCE A FAILURE

Charleston, W. Va., Sept. 23.—The state militia tightened its lines in the martial law district of Kanawha county, and state officials, from Governor Glasscock down, are apparently preparing for a long siege in the troubled mine strike zone.

The failure of the conference called by Governor Glasscock to bring about some solution of the coal strike in the Paint creek and Cabin creek districts, caused an edict to be issued by Brigadier General Charles D. Elliott directing the martial law territory into two zones.

The governor has prepared an amendment to existing laws which has for its object the extinction of the mine guard system.

**Dock Laborers Strike.**  
Panama, Sept. 23.—The dock laborers at Balboa have struck over the question of wages. This will delay the sailing of steamers somewhat.

## A SENSATIONAL EXHIBIT ATTRACTS LARGE CROWD

Washington, Sept. 23.—Fully 10,000 persons, according to the official estimate, visited the exhibition in connection with the international congress of hygiene and demography. The center of general interest, on the part of men and women alike, was the sensational exhibit of the sex hygiene section, concerning which nearly half a hundred lectures have been given during the past week. The marvelous and unique exhibit of the models of leper specimens also attracted particular attention.

Out in the campus, large crowds visited the campfire girls, the Red Cross and army field hospitals, the army cooking school and field baking plant, the Boy Scout colony and other organizations or exhibits that are placed under canvas.

## BURNED TO DEATH

Massillon, O., Sept. 23.—When her clothes caught fire from a bonfire which her brother had built in the yard at their home, 3-year-old Alice Claus, daughter of Louis Claus of this city, was burned to death.

## KILLS HIS BROTHER

Millersburg, O., Sept. 23.—A young son of Melvin Alexander of Glenmont was accidentally shot and killed by his brother while squirrel hunting.

**Youth Is Train Victim.**  
Toledo, O., Sept. 23.—John Richendaugh, 18, was crushed to death here under a coal car at the C. H. & D. docks. The boy was carrying an umbrella and did not see the empty car approaching.

**Jeweler Reports Heavy Robbery.**  
New York, Sept. 23.—George Richman, proprietor of a small jewelry store at 111 Second avenue, was found lying on his stomach in the back of his store. Richman told the police that two men entered the store, scared him terribly with a gun, told him to lie face down on the floor, tied him and wired him and carried with them \$300 taken from the safe and \$4,200 worth of diamonds and jewelry.

**Farmer's Son Missing.**  
Cincinnati, O., Sept. 23.—Henry Malone, son of a farmer of West Union, O., is believed to have committed suicide by jumping from a bridge crossing the Ohio river here. Malone registered at a hotel here and left a note threatening to end his life.

## EXPLODED A BOMB

Cleveland, O., Sept. 23.—Rejected in love, the would-be husband of Margaret Modna, it is believed by the police, exploded a dynamite bomb beneath the sidewalk of her home, partly demolishing it and an adjoining house. Fourteen people asleep in the two homes escaped with slight injuries. Charles Paczan was taken into custody as a witness.

## SAYS CRITICISMS ARE UNDESERVED

**Waldo Conducting An Inquiry Aimed at Police Officials.**

New York, Sept. 23.—Friends of Police Commissioner Waldo said that hints and intimations emanating from the district attorney's office that the commissioner has done nothing toward investigating for graft in the department are undeserved, because the commissioner for many weeks has been carrying on a secret inquiry aimed directly at inspectors and captains in whom the commissioner has lost confidence.

"Waldo," said the informant, "may drive from the department almost any day several inspectors and captains who had profitable relations with gamblers and other professional law-breakers."

Commissioner Waldo's secret investigation is leveled particularly at inspectors whose names have been mentioned in one way or other in the Rosenthal case. First Deputy Commissioner Daugherty, it was said, also is applying his detective skill toward ferreting out the crooks in the department and consults frequently with the commissioner as to the progress of the work.

**Heart Beats Carried by Wires.**  
Cambridge, Mass., Sept. 23.—Installed in the Harvard medical school is an instrument by which a physician may note the heart beat of a patient who may be hundreds of miles away. All the patient has to do is to place his or her hand in a solution of warm saltwater, the electric current from the hands, which are positive and negative poles, is carried by wires with this instrument, which shows the heart beats.

## KNOX SAILS FOR HOME

American Mission Caused Favorable Impression in Japan.



## GUEST OF HONOR AT SPREAD

Secretary of State Knox Sails From Yokohama, Japan, Sept. 23.—The American secretary of state, Philander C. Knox, was the guest of honor at a dinner given here by the members of the American colony. He sailed from here for the United States. The consensus of Japanese press and personal opinion is that the American mission has created the most favorable impression as demonstrating the sympathy of the United States in Japan's national loss.

**Urbana Man Killed by Thugs.**  
Baltimore, Md., Sept. 23.—Found dead on the steps of the dental building of the University of Maryland, Charles H. Bates, a delegate from Urbana, O., to the convention of the International Cigarmakers' union, is thought to have been the victim of thugs, who drugged and robbed him. It is believed that an overdose of a drug caused his death.

**Jellyfish.**  
A jellyfish weighing one pound contains over fifteen ounces of water.

## LIVE STOCK AND GRAIN

**CHICAGO, SEPT. 21.**  
Cattle.—Receipts, 1,500 head; heifers, \$5 35@11 50; Texas steers, \$4 65@6 25; western steers, \$5 70@5 20; stockers and feeders, \$4 20@7 25; cows and heifers, \$2 90@8 00; calves, \$5 00@11 50.  
Hogs.—Receipts, 9,000 head; light, \$5 20@8 75; mixed, \$5 05@8 75; heavy, \$4 75@8 75; rough, \$7 90@8 10; pigs, \$5 00@8 00.  
Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts, 4,000 head; native sheep, \$3 50@4 50; western, \$3 60@4 50; yearlings, \$4 70@5 75; native lambs, \$4 50@7 45; western, \$5 00@7 60.  
Wheat—No. 2 red, \$1 03@1 05; corn—No. 2, 75@73 1/2; oats—No. 2 white, 36 1/2@36 3/4.

**PITTSBURGH, SEPT. 21.**  
Cattle.—Receipts, 12 cars; export cattle, \$8 50@9 75; shipping steers, \$8 00@9 50; butcher steers, \$7 00@7 50; heifers, \$5 00@7 00; fat cows, \$5 00@6 25; bulls, \$4 25@5 20; milkers and springers, \$3 00@6 75; calves, \$11 00@11 75.  
Hogs.—Receipts, 35 cars; heavies, \$3 05@9 10; mediums, \$3 05@9 10; Yorkers, \$3 00@9 00; pigs, \$3 10; roughs, \$7 25@7 75; stock, \$5 00@7 00.  
Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts, 25 cars; yearlings, \$4 00@5 75; wethers, \$4 75@5 00; mixed sheep, \$4 50@4 75; ewes, \$4 75@4 75; lambs, \$5 00@7 50.

**PITTSBURGH, PA., SEPT. 21.**  
Cattle.—Supply light; choice, \$9 00@9 25; prime, \$8 30@8 70; tidy butchers, \$8 70@9 00; heifers, \$4 00@7 00; bulls, \$3 00@4 25; fresh cows and springers, \$3 00@6 00; calves, \$7 20@10 50.  
Hogs.—Receipts, light; heavy hogs, heavy mixed, mediums and heavy Yorkers, \$5 50@8 50; light Yorkers, \$5 00@5 50; pigs, \$7 00@7 50.  
Sheep and Lambs.—Supply light; prime wethers, \$4 50@4 75; good mixed, \$4 10@4 40; fair mixed, \$3 50@4 00; lambs, \$5 00@7 40.

**CINCINNATI, O., SEPT. 21.**  
Cattle.—Receipts, 400 head; steers, \$4 25@4 50; heifers, \$3 50@7 00; cows, \$3 00@5 50; calves, \$4 50@10 50.  
Hogs.—Receipts, 2,000 head; packers, \$5 25@8 75; common sows, \$5 00@7 25; pigs and lights, \$4 00@4 45; stags, \$4 25@4 45.  
Wheat—No. 2 red, \$1 03@1 04; corn—No. 2 mixed, 73@73 1/2; oats—No. 2 mixed, 35 1/2@36.  
Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts, 1,907 head; sheep, \$1 00@3 40; lambs, \$2 50@7 00.

**CLEVELAND, O., SEPT. 21.**  
Cattle.—Receipts, 120 head; choice fat steers, \$5 30@8 75; good to choice steers, \$5 25@8 00; heifers, \$4 50@7 00; fat bulls, \$5 00@5 50; cows, \$5 00@5 50; milkers and springers, \$25 00@60 00; calves, \$10 00@10 75.  
Hogs.—Receipts, 1,200 head; heavies, \$5 50; mediums and Yorkers, \$5 80; pigs, \$7 75; roughs, \$7 40; stags, \$6 75.  
Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts, 2,000 head; choice ewes, \$3 75; choice spring lambs, \$7 25@7 50.  
**TOLEDO, O., SEPT. 21.**  
Wheat, \$1 06 1/2; corn, 77 1/2; oats, 33 1/2; cloverseed, \$11 1/2.

## ACTRESS SHOT TO DEATH

**Lulu May Victim Of Harry Davies, A Wrestler**

**Chicago Man Commits Cowardly Deed In Restaurant.**

## RANGS HIMSELF LATER IN CELL

Had Been Dogging the Girl For Several Days and Had Threatened Violence—Advances Rejected When His Victim Discovered He Had a Wife and Child in Pennsylvania—Early Morning Tragedy.

Vincennes, Ind., Sept. 23.—Miss Lulu May, a beautiful 17-year-old singer with the Knickerbocker stock company, which closed a week's engagement here, was shot and instantly killed early today by Thomas Harry Davies of Chicago, who as Harry Hector posed as a catch-as-catch-can wrestler and ex-middleweight champion of England. Davies came to Vincennes from Chicago and dogged Miss May's footsteps, once entering a streetcar and threatening to kill her.

Just as Miss May and her mother sat down to luncheon at the Savoy restaurant, Davies entered and fired four bullets in the girl's head and body. He was arrested within a block of the shooting, and soon afterward committed suicide in jail by hanging with a towel rope.

A letter from Miss May, written Sept. 12, disclosed that she had killed him because she had discovered he had a wife and daughter in Pennsylvania.

During the performance Davies appeared in the audience at the theater, and at sight of him, Miss May lost track of her lines. Davies made an attempt to get upon the stage, but was restrained. He then followed the girl and her mother to the restaurant, where they went to lunch after the performance.

## ABUSED A JUDGE

Ashland, O., Sept. 23.—The report of the special committee to investigate the conduct of George J. Frey, prosecuting attorney of Ashland county, was made public. The committee found that the prosecutor the last two years had called Common Pleas Judge William T. Devore vile names. It was further found by the committee that he had abused Clerk of Courts Frank Baker and his deputy.

## A SERIOUS CHARGE

Columbus, O., Sept. 23.—Mrs. Minnie Ames of Cleveland is facing a charge of white slavery at the county jail. She was arrested when the police were apprised that she was about to leave for Cleveland with two young girls. When taken to prison Mrs. Ames caused the officers no little concern by pretending that she had a hemorrhage. The woman had bitten her lips, causing the blood to flow.

## MARY LEIGH A SCRAPPER

Not Too Sick To Plan an Assault on Mountjoy Jail.  
Dublin, Sept. 23.—Miss Mary Leigh, who was released from Mount Joy prison because she was too ill to be kept there any longer, according to physicians, is not too sick to plan for a resumption of violence. She sent a letter to a suffrage meeting here in which she announced that if her fellow prisoner in the jail, Mrs. Gladys Evans, was not released in a few days, she (Miss Leigh) would lead an assault on Mount Joy prison, "when the issue would only be decided by victory or death."